

## WOUNDED CZECHS HERE TO GET LIMBS

First Detachment of 4,000  
Gallant Fighters in Siberia  
Reaches New York.

## IN WAR SINCE OUTSET

Deserted Austria, Joined Rus-  
sians and Then Held Off  
the Bolsheviks.

New York got its first glimpse yesterday of soldiers who fought in the Siberian front when the Czech-Slovak Army Hospital Train arrived here from Vladivostok on its way to the new republic of Czechoslovakia.

Armless, legless, some without hands, several minus an eye, the crippled heroes of the little army that kept Germany from reaching to the rich resources of Siberia when she was on her last legs, were given an enthusiastic ovation by hundreds of New York's Czech-Slovakians upon their arrival at the Pennsylvania Station.

They are commanded by Major Josef Doshek, a young officer who fought Czechoslovak Army Hospital Train arrived here from Vladivostok on its way to the new republic of Czechoslovakia.

## Will Be Here Two Weeks.

Col. Vladimir Hruban, military attaché of Czechoslovakia, stationed at Washington, met the party at San Francisco. They were welcomed in Omaha, Chicago and Pittsburgh, and for two weeks will be the guests of New York's Czech-Slovak societies of this city have planned an elaborate entertainment for them during their stay.

But the chief reason they have come to New York, Major Doshek explained, is to get arms and legs and hands. The Red Cross has promised to furnish the artificial limbs, and they will be fitted this week. Singularly enough, one of the soldiers was wounded on the right side. One man had his hands blown off when he picked up a grenade.

The men were put up at the War Camp Community House, 35 West Twenty-first street, and all afternoon and evening the place was crowded with visitors. The soldiers were dressed in uniforms they received in Mankia in place of the heavy Siberian clothing. Many of them were the Russian Cross of St. George. Major Doshek was decorated four times for gallantry.

The most interesting incident on the trip from Vladivostok to San Francisco was the recovery of private Remish from shell shock. On board the United States Army transport Sheridan he was prostrated with the heat, and when revived spoke for the first time since sicked in battle.

## Styckek Ches as Guide.

Guide of the party is an American about the size of Jess Willard. He is Anthony W. Ches, who in '97 was chosen All Western guard, and after graduating from Oberlin College was a Western football coach. "Styckek Ches," as the Slovaks call him, was professor of physical training at the University of West Virginia when the war broke out and he went to Austria in 1915 as a M. C. A. worker.

Since that time he crossed Siberia three times, and when he arrived in Vladivostok in the spring "Uncle" Ches was asked to accompany the wounded soldiers back to Czechoslovakia. He gladly accepted, for it gave him an opportunity to see his wife, Louise Ches, who is hospital nurse at the big army hospital in Fort Sheridan, Ill.

"These men have seen some of the hardest fighting of the war," said Mr. Ches last night. "They were among the thousands of Slovaks who were forced into the Austrian army, and later went over to the Russians. When the Bolshevik regime in Russia turned against the Allies these men formed an army, equipped with 100 trains of cannons and supplies, and started for the French frontier by way of Vladivostok. They were met by the Bolsheviks, who were led by Germans, and told they would be allowed to continue without the ammunition. When they acceded to the negotiations they learned that they were tricked by the Bolsheviks, and that secret orders had been given all along the Siberian line to destroy them. Then they started fighting and they're at it still."

"They held the line from Pensa and the Volga to Vladivostok, the longest ever defended. It is time they were let go back to their homes. All the allied soldiers over in Russia say these men deserve to be the first sent home. It was these men who guarded the one railroad, they cut into the mines and the wheat fields of Siberia, and prevented the Germans from getting this source of supplies. They are brave, fearless fighters, and have gone through awful hardships and fought against tremendous odds."

Major Doshek and his men will be greeted to-day by Mayor Hylan.

## JEW TO TAKE WAR ORPHANS. Plan Puts Burden of All Zones Upon Americans.

American Jewry is to become chiefly responsible for the upbringing and physical education of the orphaned Jewish children in all the war zones, according to plans for their care announced last night by the joint distribution committee of the American Funds for Jewish War Sufferers, of which Felix M. Warburg is chairman. The plans are based upon recommendations made by Albert Lucas, secretary of the committee.

While it is not possible to give the exact number of orphaned children, estimates are based upon the reports coming in from Palestine, which state that there are some 2,000 orphans in that country. In a total population of 40,000, it is also estimated that a sum of \$200,000 a year will be needed to care for the Jewish orphans of Palestine. It will be proposed to send Jews in America that each contributor to the fund adopt a Jewish war orphan and be responsible for its care and education.

## MIDSHIPMAN MEETS DEATH.

Oregon Youth Drowned While  
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Special Despatch to The Sun.  
ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 8.—While bathing from the U. S. S. Wyoming in Annapolis Roads shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday evening Midshipman Philip G. McCarthy of Portland, Ore., was drowned. His body was not recovered.

The Wyoming is one of the ships of the Atlantic squadron which will carry the first class on its cruise this summer. McCarthy had just been promoted to that grade.

## EX-LITHUANIANS ASK STATE BE RECOGNIZED

Representatives of 800,000  
Appeal to Peace Conference.

CHICAGO, June 8.—Representatives of 800,000 Americans of Lithuanian origin, at a meeting held here to-night preliminary to the national Lithuanian convention, adopted resolutions appealing to the world, and especially the Peace Conference at Paris, for support of President Wilson's doctrine of self-determination for small nations, to the end that the independence of Lithuania may be recognized. Congress was appealed to directly for such recognition.

Representative William E. Mason of Illinois responded with the statement that he would introduce in the House next week a bill for an appropriation to provide for establishing diplomatic relations between the United States and Lithuania.

The appeal recited that Lithuania already is free, with a firm de facto government, and will remain a true democracy "unless concerted effort by those whose sacred word is passed to uphold freedom and national self-determination overthrown by force what free men have patiently striven for and nobly won."

## SAYS SANE BROTHER WAS KEPT CONFINED

Jamaica Lawyer Asks Investi-  
gation of State Hospital  
at Dannemora.

Louis Greenspan, a lawyer of Jamaica, who has asked Gov. Smith to order an investigation into the manner in which patients are treated at the State Hospital at Dannemora, N. Y., said last night that if the investigation is begun he will be able to furnish the Governor with the names of nine men who have made statements to him and are willing to testify.

Mr. Greenspan mailed a complaint to Albany on Saturday embodying charges against officials at the hospital, and it will be filed there to-day. His complaint is based upon statements made to him by his brother Larphey Greenspan.

Larphey Greenspan was sent to Elmira Reformatory three years ago following his conviction on a charge of attempted criminal assault. His brother says he should have been liberated at the end of nine months, but that just before the time when he was to have been discharged he was declared insane by an examining board and sent to the hospital at Dannemora, where he remained for two years and a half.

His brother, who returned last spring from military service in France, visited him at Dannemora shortly after his arrival home and believing him to be sane procured his transfer to the State Hospital at Kings Park, L. I., from which Larphey Greenspan was discharged shortly afterward as sane.

## FIREMAN KILLED ON "L."

Victim Believed to Be Myles Mc-  
Hugh of The Bronx.

A city fireman, believed to be Myles McHugh of 481 East 146th street, The Bronx, was killed early this morning when he was struck by a Third Avenue elevated train pulling into the station at Twenty-third street. The train dragged the body along for about ten yards and then flung it over against the live third rail.

Three policemen who were summoned to the station feared to touch the body, as it rested against the live third rail, until the power was turned off. Then the fireman was hurried to Bellevue Hospital, where he died a few minutes after being admitted.

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less by Fire.

## HAWSER HOLDS 5 DAYS

One Victim of Accident Is  
Buried at Sea—Boat Now  
Safe in Port.

How the British tanker Beechleaf, after, was rescued from a derelict's fate 500 miles off Ambrose Light was told yesterday when the United States transport Westhaven docked at Bush Terminal, Brooklyn. The transport towed the disabled oil boat for more than five days.

The transport, with one officer, eight men and a big cargo of captured German ordnance and American aviation supplies aboard, left Bordeaux May 17 and slowly ploughed her way across the ocean in prosaic style until Monday, when she picked up a wireless call for help. The call, sent by the British steamship Chaleur, told of standing by a British tanker for two days without being able to tow her.

Capt. C. W. Devereux altered his course and sent the Westhaven plugging through the heavy seas at a livelier rate of speed. The British tanker was in bad shape when he sighted her, but the fire was out. Her engines and boilers were out of commission, making it impossible even to steer her, except by hand. One fireman and the fifth engineer, Alfred Price, had been badly burned in fighting the fire, which was caused by a bursting oil feed pipe. The Chaleur had made one successful attempt to get a hawser on the Beechleaf, but it had snapped when towing was tried. A second attempt resulted in failure.

Despite the high seas Capt. Devereux brought his heavily laden craft within fifty feet of the helpless tanker. Then a strong armed gale sent a heaving line across the gap and a heavy hawser was soon made fast to the Beechleaf. Then the long tow began. Despite the tremendous strain on the hawser, binding together tanker and transport in a heavy sea, the seamanship of Capt. Devereux and his crew kept the hawser intact.

On Wednesday the condition of the fireman became so bad that the Beechleaf's captain asked for medical aid by semaphore. A dinghy was lowered into the leaping waves and Chief Pharmacist's Mate D. A. Jacobs went aboard the Beechleaf. The fireman's condition was hopeless and the next morning he died. The transport towed her and her tow hauled for half an hour while the funeral service was read and the body was buried in the ocean.

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Eastern Brokers Make Con-  
tracts for Wine Makers.

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SAN FRANCISCO, June 8.—A market for the California grape crop has been assured by contracts and the price of wine grapes is soaring, according to Louis Dellaira, president of the California Grape Association. It was learned to-day that Eastern brokers have contracted heavily for California grapes for consumption in small lots by individual wine makers. The Eastern buyers have in view a repeal or modification of the war time prohibition act, and the contracts are subject to cancellation in the event of further adverse legislation.

Dellaira said that if the contracts are cancelled the wine makers will manufacture for exportation, and with this in view agents are now exploiting the foreign market, particularly the Orient. It is believed that further legislation will provide for the manufacture and transportation in bond of wine for export.

"If Congress gives no relief and the Eastern market is lost there will undoubtedly be heavy losses, but these will be borne by the buyers and wine makers for the present season," Dellaira said. "It is a fact, however, that in spite of the approach of nationwide prohibition the price of California wine grapes is soaring to unheard of figures and every pound of wine grapes that can be produced has been contracted for at these high figures."

2,500 BACK IN BATTLESHIPS.  
Two Casual Companies for New  
York Land at Newport News.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 8.—Bringing about 2,500 troops, mostly units of the Eighty-first (North and South Carolina and Florida National Army) Division, the battleships South Carolina and Missouri arrived here to-day from Brazil.

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